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SUBJECT: MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS

1. COD WAR: PATROL BOAT DIPLOMACY

THE ICELANDIC JUSTICE MINISTRY HAS PUBLICLY CALLED ON FOREIGN MINISTER AGUSTSSON TO FORMALLY REQUEST THAT THE USG LEASE OR SELL FAST PATROL BOATS TO THE GOI.

EMBASSY COMMENT: WHILE THE DECISION HAS BEEN MADE BY THE GOI TO ENHANCE THEIR CAPABILITY TO PATROL THE DISPUTED WATERS, THIS REQUEST IS AN ATTEMPT BY JUSTICE MINISTER JOHANNESSEN TO EMBARRASS THE USG. WHEN ANNOUNCING IT, JOHANNESSEN IMPLIED HE WILL SEEK USSR ASSISTANCE IF THE USG REFUSES. THE GOI LEADERS ARE FULLY AWARE OF THE ONLY RESPONSE POSSIBLE, BUT THE REQUEST MAY BE TRANSMITTED TO THE USG NEVERTHELESS IN ORDER TO STALL FOR TIME. (CONFIDENTIAL) REYKJAVIK 339, 3/10.)

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2. THE NIXON VISIT TO CHINA--A THOUSAND PARDONS

FEI I-MIN, THE WELL INFORMED EDITOR OF THE PRC'S MAIN NEWS-PAPER IN HONG KONG, TOLD CONSULATE GENERAL HONG KONG MARCH 10 THAT CHINA HAD BADLY MISCALCULATED THE REACTION OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE TO THE NIXON TRIP. FEI ALLEGED THAT WHEN THE FULL IMPACT OF THE US MEDIA CRITICISM BEGAN TO SOAK IN ON THE PRC LEADERSHIP, THEY TOOK STEPS TO LOWER SLIGHTLY THE PROTOCOL LEVEL OF THE VISIT.

CONSULATE GENERAL COMMENT: FEI SEEMED GENUINELY EMBARRASSED AND RATHER APOLOGETIC ABOUT THE IMPACT OF THE VISIT ON US PUBLIC OPINION. SINCE HE PRESUMABLY IS USED AS A SEMI-OFFICIAL CONDUIT FOR PRC VIEWS IN HONG KONG, IT SEEMS LIKELY THAT THE CHINESE WANTED THIS MEA CULPA CONVEYED TO WASHINGTON. (CONFIDENTIAL) HONG KONG 2765, 3/10.) INGERSOLL

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